

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

# The City Of Augusta

## *Proclamation*

*IN RECOGNITION of “BISHOP ROSA L. WILLIAMS”*

*WHEREAS, Bishop Rosa L. Williams was consecrated to the office of Bishop by the Almighty God through Bishop L.D. Skinner, Sr., the presiding prelate of the Explosion Ministries Fellowship of Churches (EMFAC), Everfaithful Missionary Baptist Church, and an Ecumenical College of Bishops on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005; and*

*WHEREAS, Bishop Rosa L. Williams is a board member in good standing of the Explosion Ministries Fellowship; and*

*WHEREAS, Bishop Rosa L. Williams was called into the ministry in 1969, preached her first sermon in 1970, was ordained in 1974 and has served as the full-time pastor of the Everfaithful Missionary Baptist Church for the past 30 years; and*

*WHEREAS, Bishop Rosa L. Williams has demonstrated her scholastic ability by receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Paine College in Augusta, Georgia, a Masters Degree in Education from South Carolina State College, and a Doctorate of Divinity from Spirit of Truth Institute in Richmond, Virginia; and*

*WHEREAS, Her ministry includes the whole man from birth to death, she has led many souls to Christ and many members to rededicate themselves to Christ through her hard work, inspiration, and enthusiasm as a spirit-filled Pastor; and*

*WHEREAS, Bishop Rosa L. Williams has received numerous awards, including The Unsung Hero Award 1993, The Good Shepherd Pastor Award 1994, The Ambassador for Christ Award 1995, Who’s Who Among American Women 1997, Pastor of the Year 1998, The Martin Luther King Jr. Outstanding Service Award 2000, and Who’s Who in American Heritage 2004; and*

*WHEREAS, in addition to her numerous civic activities, Bishop Rosa L. Williams was married to the late Sergeant First Class Leroy Williams and is the proud mother of five children and grandmother of eleven.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deke Copenhaver, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2006, as “BISHOP ROSA L. WILLIAMS DAY” in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to join in honoring this outstanding woman on this milestone accomplishment of celebrating her 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pastoral Services.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.*

*Given under my hand  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2006*

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*Deke Copenhaver  
Mayor*